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WEEK ENDING AUGUST 24TH.

FOR BEWT FOR MATHES/LIM FOR COSIMI THOMAS FROM KIRCHSCHLAGER

1. TODAY'S MEETING INCLUDED MESSRS. BRAMANTE AND SILINS PLUS THE DUSEX AND FIORELLA FRANZINI.

2. CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT - THIS IS COMPLETED AND CONSIDERING DELAYS IN MAIL, WE ARE HOLDING IT FOR SIGNATURE BY OBRANOVITCH WHEN HE PASSES THROUGH BUCHAREST ON HIS WAY TO BRNO IN EARLY SEPTEMBER.

3. SITE RENTAL - THIS HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR IMMEDIATE PAYMENT AND ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO THE FACT THAT THE BUDGETTED AMOUNT, COMBINING SITE RENTAL AND UTILITIES WHICH ARE INCLUDED, IS \$17,000 WHILE THE ACTUAL FIGURE INVOICED IS \$19,292.

4. FREIGHT FORWARDING - NO REPLY HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM SCHENKER REQUESTING THEIR GUARANTEE. ALL TELEX SERVICE HAS BEEN PARALYSED CONSEQUENT TO THE WORLD DEMOGRAPHIC CONFERENCE WHICH CONDITION WILL PERSIST UNTIL AUGUST 31. WE HAVE CONFIRMED THAT THE LETTER TO ROMTRANS COVERING THESE SAME ARRANGEMENTS HAD BEEN RECEIVED BY THEIR OFFICES.

5. FAIR AUTHORITIES - WE MET WITH THE FA THIS WEEK TO DISCUSS:

A) INTERPERTERS - THIS IS THE THIRD ATTEMPT TO ZERO IN ON

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WHO WILL SERVE ALTHOUGH OUR WRITTEN ORDER FOR THIS SERVICE

WAS SUBMITTED THREE WEEKS AGO. ALL PROSPECTS ARE INVOLVED IN THE PRESENT CONFERENCE AND WE WILL NOT KNOW WHO WE GET UNTIL EARLIEST SEPTEMBER 3. THIS MAKES IT VERY CLOSE ON ORDERING UNIFORMS FROM BLICKLES WHICH IS THE OPTIMUM SOURCE.

B) RENTAL OF BASIC OFFICE FURNITURE - THIS WOULD BE THOSE UNITS WE NEED BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 23 AND NOVEMBER 4 FOR OUR OWN STAFF. NONE HAS BEEN ORDERED FROM INTERPUBLIC FOR THOSE UNITS WHICH WILL HAVE MOST PROMINENT EXPOSURE DURING THE FAIR ITSELF AND WE WANT TO KEEP THAT REQUIREMENT AT A MINIMUM.

C) BI - LINGUAL SECRETARY - WE HAVE BEEN PROMISED ONE PERSON STARTING SEPTEMBER 3. THIS MEANS WE WILL HAVE BEEN SIX WEEKS WITHOUT A SECRETARY AND WITH NO OTHER PROSPECTS WE HAVE TO HOPE THAT THIS GIRL WILL SERVE. OUR EXCELLENT DEPENDENT WIFE HAS A PERMANENT JOB WITH THE EMBASSY, SO THERE WILL BE SOME QUESTION ON HOW WELL THIS GIRL KNOWS ENGLISH.

6. OFFICE SPACE - WE ARE IN TEMPORARY QUARTERS AT THE AMERICAN LIBRARY UNTIL SEPTEMBER 23. WE ARE STRUGGLING ALONG WITH ONE ENGLISH CHARACTER TYPEWRITER AND HAVE BEEN PROMISED ANOTHER, BUT A MINIMUM OF THREE WILL BE NEEDED DURING THE FINAL PRE-SHOW WEEKS, THE FAIR AND POST-FAIR. WE HAVE RENTED A ROMANIAN TYPEWRITER LOCALLY. A STILL PENDING PROBLEM IS THE UNAVAILABILITY OF A FILE CABINET SO WE ARE STILL WORKING OUT OF CARTONS, AND CARRYING THE PETTY CASH AND CALCULATOR HOME AT NIGHT. THIS MUST BE RESOLVED SINCE WE HAVE THE USUAL CONTRACTS AND FISCAL PAPERS WHICH SHOULD BE PROTECTED AND THIS WILL BE EVEN MORE CRITICAL AT THE FAIRGROUNDS.

7. PRINTING PACKAGE - THERE HAS BEEN SOME MISUNDERSTANDING ON THE FIRST SHIPMENT OF PRINTED MATTER WHICH WAS READY AND PACKED ON AUGUST 9. THE DETAILS OF HOW THIS HAS BEEN RESOLVED HAS BEEN REVEALED IN SUPPLEMENTARY CABLE TRAFFIC AND THERE SHOULD BE NO INFERENCE THAT EWTC IS NOT DOING AN OUTSTANDING JOB IN OUR SUPPORT. OUR PROBLEM IS THAT THE FLYER WILL BE READY IN VIENNA ABOUT AUGUST 27TH, IF IT TAKES 3 WEEKS TO ARRIVE IN OUR HANDS FOR DISTRIBUTION, WHAT WITH LOCAL MAILS, OUR GENERAL MAILING WILL BE AN EMPTY EXERCISE. IT WAS DELIVERED TO THE PRINTER

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PROOF READY ON AUGUST 9.

8. STAFF - THE ARRIVAL OF FIORELLA FRANZINI ON AUGUST 19TH IS OF INESTIMABLE VALUE. THESE SHOWS CANNOT BE WORKED SINGLE HANDED BECAUSE THE MINUTE YOU TURN YOUR BACK EVERYTHING STOPS. IF THE GIRL SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 3 WORKS OUT WE ARE PARTIALLY COVERED, BUT WE NEED SOMEONE WXPRT IN ENGLISH AND THIS WILL HAVE TO BE A DEPENDENT IF WE CAN LOCATE ONE. WE WILL ALSO NEED A TYPIST

TO HELP DUNLAP WHEN HE ARRIVES. HELMUT SCHABEL WILL BE AVAILABLE TO WORK WITH DUNLAP AS HIS DIRECT ASSISTANT AND HE HAS EXPERIENCE FROM TWO PREVIOUS EVENTS WITH US AND SEVERAL WITH USIA.

9. HOSPITALITY SCHEDULE - NOTE HAS BEEN TAKEN OF YOUR CABLE APPROVING OUR PROPOSAL.

10. FINANCES - WE WILL BE ABLE TO SUBMIT A COMPREHENSIVE REPORT ON THIS MATTER EARLY NEXT WEEK. WE ARE SETTLING ACCOUNTS WITH THE SEVERAL PEOPLE I HAVE USED ON AN AD HOC BASIS. THE REAL QUESTION MARK WILL BE CONSTRUCTION IN WHICH WE HAVE A BASIC CONTRACT BUT STILL SEVERAL IMPORTANT COMPONENTS TO BE DISCUSSED AND SETTLED DURING OBRANOVITCH WORKING DAY VISIT. THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF THE BUILDING, INCLUDING THE LOUNGE, ON THE SIDE WHICH WILL CARRY THE USA IDENTIFICATION DOES REQUIRE THE SPECIAL DESIGN TREATMENT NO PROVISION FOR DRAPES EXISTS AND THIS COMBINED WITH FINDING SUITABLE FABRIC WOULD BE PROHIBITIVE. THE MAIN AREA OF CONCERN IS THE OUTDOOR IDENTIFICATION, THE "ROAD SIGNS" TO HELP LOCATE THE BUILDING. WE SHALL ALSO DISCUSS THE SUGGESTIONS CONTAINED IN USDOC 12200.

11. EXHIBITORS ACCOMMODATIONS - WE HAVE TAKEN CARE OF PERKIN-ELMER AND WILL WORK ON THE FOUR ROOMS FOR SYNTAX. EVERY EFFORT AND RESOURCE IS BEING USED BUT WE CANNOT GUARANTEE ADDITIONAL ROOMS. BELL IS CONFIRMED AND WE WILL ADVISE ON KAY.

12. SUMMARY - WE ARE ON SCHEDULE AS FAR AS THE TENTATIVE GUIDANCE LIST FOR THIS DATE. BARNES

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